A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS, RAILWAY and ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENTS (Mr. M. G. Mehkri).**—Ladies' Conference was held once in the Shimoga District during the past ten years.

Sri. S. VEERAMMA.—Will the Government encourage the holding of annual conferences in future?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—I think they are being held every year even now. But Government are not concerned in the matter. Whenever such conferences are held, Government give certain facilities.

Sri. SUNANDAMMA.—Is there a Women's Conference organization in Mysore State?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—Yes, it is under its auspices that conferences are taking place.

Sri. SUNANDAMMA.—What is that organization?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—Notice.

Sri. SUNANDAMMA.—Which was the conference that was held in Shimoga—was it All-India or Mysore State?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—I have no information.

Sri. SUNANDAMMA.—Have the resolutions passed therein come to the notice of Government?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—That is not a supplementary question.

Sri. SUNANDAMMA.—Either directly or indirectly, will the Government give any financial aid to these conferences?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—No.

Sri. SUNANDAMMA.—Is it not the duty of Government to encourage such organizations?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—It is a matter of opinion.

Sri. SUNANDAMMA.—If a request is made, will the Government grant it?

Mr. M. G. MEHKRI.—If a request is made, it will be considered.

Urdu Middle School for Hole-Narasipur.

Q.—44. **Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG** (Arsikere *cum* Chennarayapatna *cum* Hole-Narasipur *cum* Arkalgud—Mahomedan Constituency).—

Will the Government be pleased to state the stage at which the question of providing an Urdu Middle School to Hole-Narasipur Town, which is pending for a very long time, stands?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J. Appaji Gowda).**—It is noted for consideration in connection with the opening of fresh Urdu Middle Schools during 1942-43.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—May the answer to this question be taken as an assurance that a school will be opened next year?

The MINISTER for EDUCATION (Mr. J. Mahomed Imam).—It may be taken as an assurance that the question will be considered.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—Are the Government aware that this request is being made for a long time past?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—No.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—Was not a request made to the Dewan during his last visit to Hole-Narasipur?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Notice.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—Is it not a fact that for want of an Urdu Middle School at Hole-Narasipur, many boys there have not been able to go up to the high school stage?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—There is a Kannada Middle School there, of which the Mahomedan boys could avail themselves.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—But they want to learn Urdu and English.

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It will be noted for consideration next year.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—Is it not possible to give it this year?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It is too late to consider that.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—Are the Government aware that if an Urdu Middle School is opened at Hole-Narasipur, it will serve the needs of both Chennarayapatna and Arkalgud?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—I cannot say.

Mr. H. HUSEIN ALI BEIG.—At least, has it come to their notice that each of these places has been feeling the need for an Urdu Middle School?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—No.

Mr. SYED ABDUL RAHIMON.—For how long has this question been pending?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—It is not pending.

Mr. SYED ABDUL RAHIMON.—Is this the first time that the question has come up?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Yes, so far as I am aware.

Mr. SYED ABDUL RAHIMON.—Was not a similar representation made last time?

Mr. J. APPAJI GOWDA.—Notice.

Mr. S. N. M. RAZVI.—Can any time-limit be prescribed within which an Urdu Middle School will be opened at Hole-Narasipur?

Mr. PRESIDENT.—That is not a supplementary question.

Mr. T. M. KHAN.—Are the Government at least convinced about the need for an Urdu Middle School there?

Mr. J. MAHOMED IMAM.—It all depends upon the relative urgency of the claims of different places.

Mr. M. ABDUL RASOOL.—Is any minimum strength prescribed for the opening of a separate middle school?

Mr. J. MAHOMED IMAM.—No definite minimum is prescribed, but the number must be such as to justify the expenditure on a separate school.

Breach of the Privilege of the House.

Before the House proceeded to deal with Representations, **Mr. F. C. DEVARAJ URS** brought to notice that a certain member of the House (Mr. K. Chengalaraya Reddy, Leader of the Congress Party) had issued a statement to the Press criticising the action of the Dewan-President in disallowing an adjournment motion relating to the appointment of Mr. S. G. Forbes as Electrical Adviser to Government. The statement had been published in certain newspapers. Members of the House were not a little surprised and disturbed that the particular member referred to should have adopted the procedure of resorting to the public Press to ventilate his personal views and to comment upon a ruling from the Chair. That procedure, in his opinion, amounted to a breach of the privilege of the House. It was the duty of every member to uphold the dignity of the Chair as well as the privileges of the House and for that reason, when a ruling was given, it was the business of the members to bow to it and not to question it. Questioning or commenting upon a ruling would be an insult not only to the President but to the House itself. He therefore requested the President to give a ruling on the point.

The PRESIDENT stated that the matter had been brought to his notice just then, that he was not aware of a similar question having been raised in the past and that, therefore, the poin mentioned by Mr. Devaraj Urs might well be considered a day or two later.

Mr. M. N. JOIS invited attention to a suggestion from the Chair which had been already agreed to by the House that matters not included in the agenda might be discussed only informally and after 5 P.M. each day. According to the agenda, the item of business with which the House was now expected to go on was Representations. He therefore doubted how far the question raised by Mr. Devaraj Urs could be discussed during business hours, consistently with the said understanding.

The PRESIDENT observed that it was only questions like facilities to members, etc., that were meant to be informally discussed after 5 P.M. each day. But the present question related to the regular business of the House and could, therefore, be discussed during Assembly hours. He proposed that, if the House agreed, the point raised by Mr. Devaraj Urs might be taken up for consideration a day or two later.

The sense of the House being in favour of this suggestion, it was agreed that the question be taken up on Saturday, 11th of October.

REPRESENTATIONS—*contd.*

No. 50.—Inclusion of some members of Closepet in the Scholarship Committee of the High Schools of Bangalore and Channapatna.

Mr. A. M. VENKATASAMIAH (Closepet—Urban).

Mr. A. M. VENKATASAMIAH represented that nearly 150 students were going out of Closepet to Bangalore City